Ombudsman Candidates Considered

A school ombudsman, originally proposed by alumni Sue Webb and Janet Ackerman, may be added to the senior high staff if there is aufficient demand.

The ombudsman will supplement exiating counseling facilities and attempt to aid students who would prefer to talk to a non-school counselor.

Mr. Capriotti says some students feel they do not have accesa to him and that he is willing to "open all possible avenues to the students."

No persons have been appointed yet to the ombudsman position but Mr. Capriotti has spoken to several candidates. The ombudsman will be available during study halls and by appointment.

SAC Formed To Express Views

Students may soon have an active voice in originating and changing school policies. Mr. Capriotti is instituting a Student Advisory Council that will provide input about curriculum, the necessity of study halls and the lack of representation of some students in school affairs.

Through meeting with Student Council President Joe Noce and class presidents Mark Orlando and Mike Shafer, Mr. Capriotti hopes to decide on a way to get a random sampling of students to participate in the Student Advisory Council.

One difficulty Mr. Capriotti foresees is the permanency of the Council's members. By working these problems out and organizing the Council, a new means of communication will be developed between students and staff.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Juniors and seniors desiring government financial aid should attend a discussion by federal and state representatives at a meeting in the auditorium at 1:30 p.m. on September 30.

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All juniors planning to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (P.S.A.T.) on October 26, must register in the counseling suite between September 23 and October 4.

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Seniors who plan to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) on November 2 must be registered by September 30, according to College Liaison Officer Ann Speer. The cost of registration is $6.50.

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Marple Newtown Athletic Department has instituted the season tickets program for 1974-75, according to Director Alan Jones.

Adults can save $10 by purchasing season tickets for 20 events at $15. Students can purchase tickets for $8, saving $14.50 over the gate price.

The events include all home athletic contests in football, basketball, and wrestling. Season ticket holders will not need to wait in lines for admission.

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The MN Performance Group will be making its own 18th century costumes for the musical version of Tom Jones. Faculty Director Jan T. Kubicki says drapes, bedspreads, sheets, and other material are needed from the community.

Exchange Students Speak Out

Marple Newtown exchange students Marie Constance and Beverly MacAdam have returned here as seniors after a year abroad and say they missed American openess and opportunity.

Ms. Constance lived with three fsmilies in La Psz, Bolivia. Although La Paz is near the equator, the climate is cold because of the high altitude. Bolivia is very poor, and there is no central heating or hot running water, according to Ms. Constance.

A former French student, Ms. Constance says she had to use a Spsnish-English dictionary during the first few months.

Ms. Constance accompanied forty other American students on a trip throughout Bolivia. She also visited the Inca ruins of Peru.

Ms. MacAdam lived on a farm in Lundi, Sweden. Highlighta of her trip included skiing on the Swedish Alps and day-long trips to Denmark.

She attended the Swedish School for Emigrants and learned Swedish with exchange students from throughout the world. One must qualify for high school in Sweden, according to Ms. MacAdam.

Hans Hedemmalm

Ms. MacAdam pursued a humanitarian course selection. There were no athletic or extra-curricular activities at her school.

She travelled for three weeks in June throughout most of Norway and Sweden.

During the winter in Sweden, the sun rises at 10 a.m. and sets at 3 p.m. During the Spring, it rises at 1 a.m. and sets at 10 p.m.

Former senior exchange student Hans Hedemmalm came from Nybro, Sweden to Broomall this year.

He studied English for nine years in Nybro and wants to utilize it here. Hedemmalm has friends who had been foreign exchange students. He says they convinced him to see the United States himself.

Senior Class Plans Prom Bermuda Trip

Activities proposed by the senior class include a trip to Bermuds over spring vacation and the senior prom, according to class officers.

Fund-raising events will be staged so that the prom can be held at the Valley Forge Sheraton Hotel. The events include a rock concert, a car wash, and a pancake day.

Science instructor Thomas Kashi will replace former French teacher Shelia M. Eremus as class advisor. Class Advisors Jan Jeffries and Kashi say a trip to Bermuda, to be sponsored by the class, is still in planning.

Senior Class officers are Michael Shafer, president; Robert Fertel, vice president; Susan Paul, secretary, and Madelyn Taufer, treasurer.

OPINION:

A MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE

President Gerald Ford recently decreed that Richard Nixon should not be prosecuted for any federal laws broken during his term as President of the United States.

By granting Mr. Nixon amnesty, President Ford has placed him above the law. The President's decision insults justice, the American public, and our forefathers who gave Mr. Ford the power to pardon from prosecution.

Justice must always be tempered with mercy but mercy must be granted equally to all, regardless of their position in society.

What Mr. Nixon calls the "mistakes" he made in his handling of the Watergate case have no doubt caused him and his family much suffering. Still, others indicted for breaking the law are not exempt suffering.

Because power and position elevated Richard Nixon's misfortune into the national spotlight, his pain is said to be extra-ordinarily unbearable.

A conclusion here is unmistakable: those in the national eye (the rich and powerful) are special people more deserving of mercy and less likely to break the law again.

We curse the common criminal as the bane of our society and make him and his family bear the consequences of his actions alone and neglected. Yet, the powerful government officials who lied to us receive our sympathy and mercy.

To argue, as President Ford did, that Richard Nixon would have to wait years for a fair trial because of the publicity of Watergate insults the fairness and intelligence of the American public. If there are not twelve unbiased citizens in America who could weigh the evidence in a court of law and render a just decision, then we might as well pack up our whole jury system and toss it out the window.

Surely the founders of this republic could not have intended such a miscarriage of justice when they wrote the President's pardoning powers into the Constitution.

Ken Doyle

CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELVES, SMOKERS!

I know you've heard it before, but you're going to hear it again. This may be the last time, too.

The smoking student body is responsible for keeping the smoking areas clean, and they have not been doing a very good job. Is it asking too much to take an extra second or two to dispose of your butts and matches properly? It's the least you can do.

These areas were fought for, diligently, and continued littering and laziness on your part will cause this privilege to be revoked. And who will be the first to complain if smoking areas are taken away? The smokers-the creators of the difficulty.

There is nothing we at council can do without cooperation in keeping these areas clean. So please remember to use proper receptacles for trash.

Joe Noce
Student Council
President

Count Dracula Chooses Victims

MN's first theatrical production of the 1974-75 school year is the infamous melodrama Dracula.

Junior Chris Farrow will play the title role of Count Dracula. Other cast members, announced by Ms. Daly, include Annette Winter, Michael Rosenberg, Lisa Granik, David Detweiller, Larry Cetlin, Lafe Purcell and Diane Herkness.

Performance dates are Friday and Saturday, November 1 and 2.

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October 16	Armed Service Test
October 19	American College Testing (A.C.T.)
October 26	Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test National Merit Scholarship Test (P.S.A.T./N.M.S.T.)
November 3	Scholastic Aptitude Test (S.A.T.)
November 23	Achievement Tests
December 7	S.A.T.
December 14	A.C.T.
January 11	Achievement Tests
April 5	S.A.T.
April 26	A.C.T.
May 10	Achievement Tests
Week of May 20	Advanced Placement Testing
June 2 28	S.A.T.

Psychologist's Role Described

School psychologists work with special problems and administer special tests to students with trouble in school and at home, Assistant to the Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Service H. Lee Brubaker explains.

"We don't advertise psychologists on the same level as we do counselors : employed for that reason," Dr. Brubaker says.

Students with problems must first go to their counselors. They can then call for faculty and parental conferences, Dr. Brubaker says. After that, they can confer with the principal and then the school psychologists.

Psychologists administer four types of tests. These include cognitive tests for reasoning, language developement tests, affective tests, and percep tual motor tests for hand and eye coordination.

Evaluations of these tests and conferences could indicate psychotherapy, neurological assistance, speech therapy, or psychiatric care.

Psychologists are usually the last necessary measure for helping students, but some are recommended to the school psychiatrist Dr. Carol Weinberg.

Mr. Capriotti says students that have been suspended regularly or for major offenses are often required to confer with the psychologist before returning to school.

Teachers can recommend that students confer with psychologists by first submitting their names to Mr. Capriotti.

Students from 16 education classes in MN have undergone psychological analysis, there are an average of 250 other referrals each year, Dr. Brubaker says.

School psychologists for this year include Dr. Ruth Feldman, Ms. Jo Ann Knarr, and Ms. Dene Katz.

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THE TIGER'S EYE

"In the jungle, the mighty jungle, the Tiger sleeps tonight. Aweemowop... Aweemowop."

I've been singing that song for the past few weeks. I was so tired, I needed all the sleep I could get. You see, as your mascot, I decided to get involved in some extra curricular activities. My experiences can by described by one word..."Aweemowop!"

First, I attended football practice under the alias of Joel Jock. Everytime they'd throw me the ball, I'd fumble it in my paws, and the players would boo me. Yes, me, their own mascot!

They soon discovered who I was and I felt like the Trix rabbit when they told me, "Football is for kids, silly Tiger!"

Next I chose a more intellectual path and entered Scott's Hi-Q. My first question was "what is the lowest list price of any car built in America:Pinto,Vega, or Gremlin?" I quit on the spot.

Back to the sports world where I entered myself in a cross country course. We ran through miles of mighty jungle and with my little legs, I was sore for days. After that cross country practice the Tiger sure slept.

From there, I hobbled to the computer club room where the computer was shouting,"Gremlin,Gremlin." It was then I had second thoughts about quiting Hi-Q. Well, in computers I played all sorts of games with the electrical animal, losing every one.

Gosh darnit, I couldn't do anything right!

After that sour sore Tiger participated in a soccer game. Running up and down the field, I never touched the ball until it hit me square in the face. I gave up.

I crept into the woods down by the lower field and slept. "In the jungle, the mighty jungle, the Tiger sleeps tonight. Aweemowop.."

MY MARK

LETTERS TO THE TIGER

Dear Tiger:
Sauer's pardoned.
-Glenn M. Sander

Dear Tiger:
Can you find me a Grecian urn?
-P.H.

Dear P.H.:
What's a Grecian urn?
-Tiger

Dear Tiger:
About $1.75 an hour. Boy, did you fall for that one! Hoohah!
-P.H.

Dear Tiger:
Capriotti's pardoned.
-G.M. Sande-

Dear Tiger:
Taxi! Taxi! Oh, I'm sorry. I thought this was a taxi stand. I'm really sorry.
-Zoot P. Suit

Dear Tiger:
Best, Shafer, even Williams, are pardoned.
-G. M. Sander

Dear Tiger:
Hear is a joek I thot yoo wud like. whats the diffrins no wait see their were two gueys. there nams were pat nad MIke (the gueys) nad he paT sez what is the diffrins beetween? then MIke sez beetween wut? the he (paT) sez now this is the gud part wat till you heer it youl rilly laff. then paT sez I'm not giving eny hints ha hahahahahaha isn't thet funny???
-Evil K. Neeville

Dear Tiger:
Everybody's pardoned. Except you.
G. M. Sander

Letter

Administration Praised

Dear Editor,

It is unfortunate thst when the sdministration is guilty of an error, people are quick to respond. Yet when the administration makes a good choice, the same people remain quiet, as though indifferent.

I would like to change that by complimenting the Marple Newtown Administration for its wise decision concerning an earlier start and finish of the school day.

Have you ever wanted to participate in a club or sport after school, but you could not because it interfered with studies? Maybe a prospective employer didn't hire you because you were needed for longer hours on school days. The time change allows students an extra hour after school.

With the mad race against time that we face living in this society, it is nice to know MN has tried to relieve some pressure.

Early Riser

TIGERS UNLEASH '74 OFFENSE

Exciting teamwork can be expected this year by followers of the Marple Newtown Varsity Football Team. Coached by Robert Kenig, the Tigers will unleash a new brand of offense that has been missed by Tiger fans for quite awhile.

To compensate for the loss of alumni running backs Dave Trevisan and Joe Basile , senior quarterback Pete Bartlett and the Tigers will be throwing the pigskin more this year.

Bartlett will hopefully make his two years of experience pay off by generating an exciting air barrage mixed with a timely running game.

Mike Martin and Mike Hanacek are expected to be the primary receivers. Scott Mc Donald will catch passes from the slot back position.

Candidates vying for the running back position include Burke Maze, Glen Theil, Dan Peterson, Jeff Bonner, Gregg Kennedy, and Robert DiPrimio. Bartlett is backed up by junior "Dr." Drew Roulston. Junior Mike Miller will again handle the kicking chores.

The defense, led by Herman Sampson and Donn Cornman, shapes up to be a hard-hitting crew. The first game is against the defending city champ, Cardinal O'Hara, tomorrow at 10:30 A.M. The Lions will battle the Tigers here on the Harry Harvey Field.

The first league game is against Haverford here on September 28 at 10:30 am.

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Winning- Is it Everything?

An athlete steps onto the playing field with one thought - winning. But is there more to sports than winning? I believe there is.

Every year many students spend time after school and on weekends involved in school sports. They want a winning season, but they are also there to have s good time. Obviously a student will not have a good time if he or she feels neglected or cast off.

Let us take the case of the girls' hockey team. Before the school year even started, it became obvious to a few of the girls that they did not fit into the team's plans. Some of them even felt the starting line-up was already decided upon.

The players began to feel this way when eleven girls were picked to go to over night hockey camp. Later, when practice began, these eleven were singled out and practiced on a different field.

This atmosphere caused some girls to quit and others just did not come out after two years on the team.

One upset student stated, "It just wasn't worth coming out for the team when I knew I wasn't going to play."

Coach Cheryl Madigan commented, "I just picked the eleven girls who I felt had the most potential and who would most benefit the team."

Coach Madigan may be right in her thinking and produce a winning hockey team. But is winning reslly the only thing?

Mike Kean

J.V. Improves

In past years, Marple Newtown J.V. football teams have been less than impressive on the grid iron. This year seems to be different, though, since the Tigers are expecting a very successful season.

The defense appears to have improved vastly, and the large size of the line should prove effective. Coach Donald Ott notes the defeat of past JV football teams.

"We expect to reverse the J.V. role at MN Senior High," he says.

SOCCER STARTS WITH A KICK

Marple Newtown's Soccer Team opened the 1974 season with an impressive victory over Norristown. The varsity booters went in double overtime to defeat Norristown, 2-1.

Period one was scoreless, but action was fast and furious in the second stanza. Norristown tallied first on a controversial kick, which some Tigers thought was offsides.

With two minutes left, Doug Fell headed in a Glen McNeil cross. This tied the score at 1-1 and set up a double-overtime situation. MN's Paul Sperry scored the tie-breaker to end the deadlock. J.V. Soccer was also victorious, blanking Norristown, 3-0.

The Varsity Tigers continued their winning ways on September 11 when they downed Chester, 1-0. The winning goal came in the third quarter when Chipper Law scored for MN. Paul Sperry and John Werbos assisted Law. The MN Tigers outshot Chester Clippers, 24-3.

Chester player loses ball to MN's Doug Fell.

The J.V. was upset 3-2 in a hard fought battle with the Clippers. Mark Brubaker tallied both MN goals with Jon Robbins and Paul Jones assisting.

The Varsity Captains this year are John Werbos, and goalie Pete "the radical" Johnson. J.V. Captains are Jon Robbins and Dave Lormax. Varsity coaches are Mr. John L. Nagle and Mr. George W. Mayer. Dr. Fu[illegible] of MN Jr. High will serve as J.V. Coach.

Equality at Last

In recent years, the Athletic Department here has received many complaints about the lack of time and money donated to girls' sports activities.

Last spring, for example, the Girls Track Club used makeshift uniforms and suffered from a lack of funds and equipment.

This year, girls athletics at MN seem to be taking a turn for the better.

"Every endeavor is being made to bring equity between girls' and boys' athletics at Marple Newtown and in the Central League," Athletic Director Alan Jones says.

Plans have been made for improvements in many sports. The Girls Track Club will become a regular school sport. New uniforms have been ordered and the girls will be permitted to use all athletic equipment here.

Other recommendations include expanding the girls basketball schedule from nine to eighteen games and forming a girls' volleyball team. A girls' golf team has also been suggested.

SPORTS QUIZ

Mar News has previously published special sport features which questioned your recall of famous male abilities in sports. It seems that women sport questionnaires were completely ignored.

However, this is not the case. Famous female sport wonders have received publicity as long as males. Here's your chance to test your knowledge of the statistics. The following questions and answers were taken from the 197[illegible] Guinness Book of World Records.

Questions:

1. Who holds the record for the highest three game totals in women's bowling?
2. What woman holds the record for highest earnings in sports career?
3. What girl broke every free-style record from 100 to 1,500 meters in swimming?
4. What is the record for the most prize money won in year by a professional femsle tennis player?

Answers:

818 by Bev Ortner in 1968.
$332,117 by Kathy Whitworth in golf.
Shane Gould (Australia).
Mrs. Billie Jean King, 1971, won $117,000.

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